

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Swerin et al.

Serial No.: 10/662,699

Group Art Unit:

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Examiner:

For: Paper with Improved Stiffness and Bulk and Method for Making Same

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application. These documents were cited by the European Patent Office in the prosecution of the PCT counterpart of this application. Copies of the documents set forth below and listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and the PCT International Search Report are attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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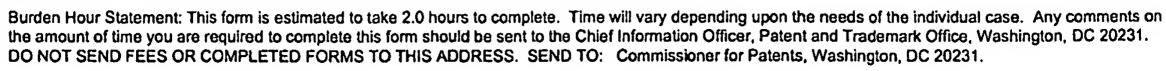
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